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Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A.
Chapman, V.D.

LEAVE.
Supper Stanley Smith is granted leave
of absence from 3rd May to 16th June
1916.

GUARD.
Until further orders the guard will
parade at 5.45 p.m. Rain coats may be
carried in place of great coats.

PARADES.
Parades for Wednesday, 3rd instant.
7.30 a.m. Signalling Section "C" class
Practise at Headquarters.
6.15 p.m. Civil Service Co. Company
drill at Headquarters.
7.30 p.m. Scouts Co. No. 3 Section
Squad drill at Headquarters.
No. 3 Section (Taikoo) Engineer Co.
will parade at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday 6th
inst. at Taikoo Recreation ground for
inspection. Marching Order, 150 rounds
ball ammunition.

DETAIL.
On duty tonight Scouts Company.
On duty to-morrow night Centre Sec-
tion M.G. Co.
On the 4th inst. Civil Service Com-
pany.
Orderly Officer, Lieut. Rees.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

DETAIL.
On duty till the morning of Friday, the
5th inst.: H.K.V.C.
On duty from the morning of Friday,
the 5th inst. to the morning of Friday,
the 12th inst.: "A" Co. H.K.V.R.
Orderly Officer: Lieut. Thornhill.

PARADES.
Wednesday, 3rd inst.:
Recruits on the Cricket Ground under
drill instructor Serg. Osberry at 5.15
p.m. Dress: drill order.
Signalling Section at Volunteer Head-
quarters at 5.15 p.m. Uniform to be
worn.
N.C.O.'s class of instruction on the
Cricket Ground at 6 p.m. Dress: clean
fatigue.

Thursday, 4th inst.:
Recruits on the Cricket Ground under
drill instructor Serg. Osberry at 5.15
p.m. Dress: drill order.
Machine Gun Section at Wellington
Barracks under Lieut. Thornhill at 6.30
p.m. Dress: drill order.
Mounted Section on the Polo Ground
at 5.30 p.m. under Serg. G. C. Moxon.
Uniform to be worn.
Friday, 5th inst.:
"B" Co. Kowloon Dock and Taikoo
Section on the Polo Ground at 5.30 p.m.
Remainder on the road outside the Law
Courts at 5.15 p.m. Dress: drill order.
Signalling Section at Volunteer Head-
quarters at 5.15 p.m. Uniform to be worn.
Saturday, 6th inst.:—NIL.

STRENGTH.
Ptes. A. Gray and A. Derby are per-
mitted to resign on leaving the Colony.
Pte. M. T. Johnson, having joined, is
allotted Corps No. 599 and posted to
Platoon No. 1 Company "A" Section.
No. 1.

REVERSAL.
Lieut. E. D. F. Beith reverts to the
ranks at his own request.

APPOINTMENTS.
Pte. R. W. W. Bristow is appointed
 Lance-Corporal.
Pte. G. R. Edwards is appointed
 Lance-Corporal.

ABSENTEES FROM PARADES.
The following absentees without leave
from parade of "A" Co. on Tuesday,
the 25th April, will parade with "B" Co.
on Friday, the 6th May, at 5.15 p.m. on
the road outside the Law Courts, and will
also attend recruits parade on the Cricket
Ground on Monday, the 8th May, at 5.15
p.m. Dress: drill order.—Ptes. H. Har-
phreys, E. W. White and B. Tanner.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

ROUTE MARCH.
Fall in at Queen's Statue, Chater
Road, at 6.45 p.m. on Friday, May 5th.
Uniform with Helmets. All units and
Patrolmen will attend. Recruits will
not attend.

ORCHESTRA PRACTICE.
Wednesday, May 3rd
Monday, May 8th at 6.30 p.m. sharp.
Thursday, May 11th.

MAXIM GUNNERS.
Will attend in Uniform at Central
Station at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, May
4th.

PROMOTIONS.
The Hon. C. S. P. has sanctioned the
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III—Life & Annuity Funds... 17,067,580

Sinking Fund Account..... 128,230

£23,970,387

Revenues Fire Branch..... £2,381,468

Life and Annuity 1 2,141,683

Branches..... 337,523

Revenue Marine Department... 478,940

Other Receipts..... £3,383,223

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NOTICE
INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
MEETING TO DISCUSS REPORT AND ACCOUNTS.

WE, the undersigned shareholders, consider that the Report and Accounts of the above Company require early discussion, in order that concerted action may be taken by shareholders, with reference to certain matters in the Accounts, including the appropriation of the Final Dividend by the appropriation of £20,000 for depreciation repairs and reserve, and also with regard to the closing of the Company's books at such short notice.

CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the China Traders Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Head Office of the Company, No. 4, Cornhill Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 5th day of May, 1916, at 10.15, when the subject of the Extraordinary Resolution, which was passed at the ordinary General Meeting of the said Company held on the 18th day of April, 1916 will be submitted for consideration as a Special Resolution:

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 6th May at 10 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the accounts and electing Directors and Auditors.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE DIVIDEND OF \$7.00 and BONUS OF \$2.00 per SHARE declared at the Forty-seventh Meeting of Shareholders held this day will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY the 26th April, 1916.

By Order of the Board of Directors
C. PEMBERTON,
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Hongkong, April 27, 1916.

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NOTICE.
WE have authorized Mr. DALLAN GERALD MERCER BERNARD and Mr. BENJAMIN DAVID FLEMING BRITTE to sign our Firm per procuration from this date.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, May 1, 1916.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL
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OTTO RONG SING,
Solicitor.
Hongkong, May 1, 1916.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

WITH REFERENCE to my former Notice, to the effect that I would not be responsible for any DEBTS incurred by my wife, I wish it to be understood that I unreservedly withdraw that notice and same would never have been inserted but for a serious misunderstanding, for which I alone am to blame. My wife has perfect liberty to pledge her credit to any extent she may deem advisable.

J. J. STUBBINGS.
Hongkong, April 29, 1916.

LOYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

EARLY MORNING GOLF.
A BALL played on any portion of the Sand-Trunk, Grass-Trunk, or in the Ditch on both sides of the said Trunk, must be lifted and dropped in the fairway not nearer to the hole, under penalty of one stroke.
This Local Rule applies only to Early Morning Golf, and has been introduced to avoid annoyances to riders and ponies on the track.
Players are requested to keep their caddies off the rails when ponies are passing.
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By Order of THE COMMITTEE.
Hongkong, April 11, 1916.

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SCOTTISH SPORT

From Our Own Correspondent.
DUNDEE, March 22.
SCHOOL RUGBY IN THE WEST.
The Public School Rugby season is practically at an end a season which, if limited in many ways, has been wonderfully interesting. The West have been particularly fortunate. Glasgow Academy and Glasgow High School have played cleverly and successfully. According to results Glasgow Academy were the better of the two; perhaps they were not so brilliant as the Glasgow High School on several occasions. The Academy were the more solid side, but their fifteen were not so well balanced. In Allan they had a capable captain and the best youthful forward in the district, and his influence and example inspired the pack to splendid endeavour. Their halves were dependable rather than dazzling; Eastern should develop into a good three-quarter, for he frequently exhibited judgment, and he proved himself the best stand-off back in scholastic football. He possesses all the qualities necessary for the position, and can adapt himself to any style of play. His chief co-workers were Johnston, who is a good three-quarter. As a scorer, none surpassed the speedy and resolute Findlay. The chief defect of the forwards was lack of dash. McFie led them well and received great assistance from Williamson and Ross. In the minor schools, the most improved was Hillhead, who owed much to McKinnon and Gordon. Spier's School had a somewhat limited programme, but exhibited some good forward work, while Pullar dominated their backs. Ayr Academy were variable in form; Corbett being their most successful performer. Allan's Glen had quite a strong front division, but their backs, with the exception of Morrison, were very weak. Kilvinnid had their resources well depleted by the claims of the Services. Larchfield did well in all their arrangements.

The principal Rugby results were: Heriot's, 12; Dollar, 0.
Hillhead High School, 10; Ayr Academy, 3.
Edin. Institution, 29; Stewart's College, 0.

ASSOCIATION LEAGUE.
In Association League, rough play is far too much in evidence at the present time. In this week's engagements there were several instances of unfair work: men were mauled; and players had to be ordered off. Of course there was the sequel of a long list of penalty kicks. It would have been no surprise if the St. Mirren-Celtic match had shown regrettable displays, but it was free from anything worse than "vigorous methods," where a number of men were sent off and others were incapacitated. Dundee and Hamilton, Shawfield, and Dundee, have healthy rivalry is a good thing but free fights are outside the game. Dundee and Heart of Mid-Lothian were not expected to be beaten at home. Dundee were granted a penalty kick

LLOYDS AND PEACE.

The London correspondent of the New York Herald writing on March 17th said:—
Inquiries are being received at Lloyd's for insurance to pay total loss in case of peace being declared during the present year. The inquiries are large firms who hold war contracts and who have to give orders for material some time ahead of war prices. As a result premiums are inclined to show an upward tendency.
One underwriter said that for an insurance to pay total loss in the event of peace being declared by the end of June he would quote a rate of twenty guineas per cent. while for a similar policy extending to the end of the year the rate would be seventy per cent. Some brokers quoted as high as ninety per cent for a policy insuring against the war ending by the end of December. These rates are intended to be prohibitive and no transactions were effected.
The rates also are an indication that the underwriters believe the war will not continue beyond the end of the present year. The optimism is based on the French line of argument, namely that Germany is putting out feelers in the direction of peace and that Turkey has made proposals for a separate peace.
Lloyd's (adds the Herald) has not been a very good guesser so far regarding the duration of the war. About a year ago the following rates were quoted at Lloyd's for insurance to pay a total loss in the event of peace not being declared between Great Britain and Germany on or before the following dates, expressed in guineas per cent:—

Association League, rough play is much less violent at the present time. In this week's engagement there were several instances of unfair work, some fouls, and players had to be injured. "Of course there was the old list of penalty kicks. It has been a long list since the St. John's Celtic match last September if we take into consideration the fouls and displays, but it was far from being worse than "vigorous" remarks very different at Kilmarnock. A number of men were sent off and some were incapacitated; and at present, Shawfield, Dundee, here the fouls were quite common. The rivalry is a good thing but the fights are outside the game. The Hearts and Heart of Mid-Lothian are expected to be beaten at home. They were granted a penalty kick.

French lines at Verdun, rumors that man is putting out feelers in the matter of the Senegal and Turkey. The proposals for a warring nation. They had.

Lynd's (adds the Herald) been a very good guesser so far in the duration of the war. A year ago the following rates were given for the insurance to pay the loss in the event of a war. It was declared between Great Britain and Germany on or before the above dates, expressed in guineas per cent.

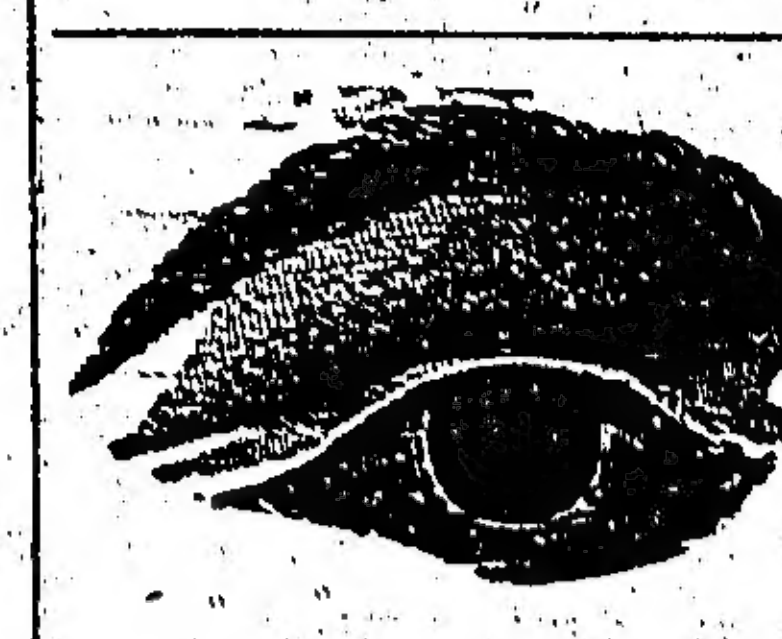
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| September 15 | 55 | February 28 | 35 |
| September 30 | 60 | March 15 | 30 |
| October 15 | 65 | March 31 | 25 |
| October 31 | 70 | April 15 | 20 |
| November 15 | 75 | April 30 | 15 |
| November 30 | 80 | May 15 | 10 |
| December 15 | 85 | May 31 | 5 |
| December 31 | 90 | June 15 | 0 |
| 1916 | June 30 | 15 | |
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I, Shen Chun-hsun, do hereby make the following statement to the Military and Civil Governors of the Province and to the rest of my fellow-countrymen, young and old:

I have remained silent as a political refugee for three years, during which period I have not had the opportunity of expressing my long-cherished principles. The time has now arrived when I must come out and no longer, being drunk by nature, I can only say what I mean, though I may not always see what is right. If what comes from the bottom of my heart is wrong, I hope you will rectify it, otherwise I hope you will believe it.

I am opposed to Yuan Shih-kai, not for the purpose of vengeance, nor to advance private interests, but solely to uphold the principles of justice and humanity which have been our national heritage for several thousand years. But he was once a minister of the Manchu Dynasty. As Yuan Shih-kai betrayed the Manchu Dynasty, it is my bounden duty to bring him to justice on its behalf. I am now a citizen of the Republic. As Yuan Shih-kai has attempted to overthrow the Republic, it is likewise my bounden duty to bring him to justice on behalf of the Republic. For these reasons, I have pledged myself to do what is in my power to mete out condign punishment to the national betrayer. If he is allowed to go unpunished, how precarious are the principles of justice and humanity! If the citizens do not fulfil their duties as citizens, how can the nation continue? Even were I to shake out my existence without any regard for the descendants, would I not degenerate little by little to the level of brute? It is said that I have the sinister motive of wreaking vengeance! It is well-known that I have no animosity against Yuan Shih-kai. It is said that I want to advance my private interests. I have still enough for my own subsistence, and I am not one of those who slay their descendants may be idle. It is said that I have the ambition of becoming a high official! I have had enough of official life, and only regret that I was not able to follow the example of the philosopher Ma Di in sacrificing everything for the benefit of society. Has the traitor paid the extreme penalty of the law? If not, then I am willing to lay down my own life. If he has, I shall be glad to lead the life of a private citizen. I will not attempt to rectify the charges of lack of foresight and judgment, but to entertain suspicion of my motives is not only unfair to me, but savours of narrow-mindedness.

As I have said, I am not able to follow the example of Ma Di. Who, then, will bear the heavy responsibility of state? This question I shall say nothing beyond referring you to the constitution. From the assassination of Sun Chiao-chen to the time of Yuan's proclamation of himself as emperor, he repeatedly violated the constitution. This has since the inception of the entire people. It is therefore as important to uphold the constitution which has been thus set aside as it is to overthrow the person who trampled upon it. He who, according to the constitution, has to assume the responsibilities of state, should not shrink them, though, by so doing, he may incur public censure and expose himself to considerable risk. On the other hand, no person should compete for the office of President, even though this may seem to him to be without any personal safety. Our citizens have determined to sacrifice their lives in order to overthrow Yuan in his attempt to make himself Emperor. If, hereafter, anybody dares to fight for his private interests, our citizens will, I am sure, overthrow him in the same manner as they have done the would-be emperor. I am not so foolish as to place private interests first. And though I may be daring enough to undertake difficult State affairs, I am not equal to the arduous duty of the office of magistrature of the nation; and I sincerely hope that our heroes and other patriots will not plan to make me the target of the nation.

What part shall I play after the fall of Yuan? If pressed to discharge any duty to the country, I am sure, as responsible as I am, I am willing to accept, as did Confucius, any subordinate role that may be assigned to me, provided the duties are not beyond my ability. Personal fame and honour are matters of indifference to me. Though not a man of wide knowledge, I have heard that in America the upper classes work as private citizens. If, therefore, the public leaves to me to follow my own inclinations, I will do whatever I can for the benefit of my native village in particular and of the country at large in general. For this, I need no official position. Moreover, the people are the all-important factor in a republic. The life of a private citizen is in no way inferior to that of a public man. When said, "I was enough for my own subsistence," I was speaking from my heartrending experiences. You need not be anxious about me, for if I reappear in public, as I am, I will retire into obscurity. I know how to abide by my own principles.

In conclusion, I may say that my only desire is to see that the national betrayer is dealt with according to law. If anyone can work with me in upholding the principles of justice and humanity and fighting against the common foe, I will befriend him, respect him, and love him, even though he be my greatest enemy. But if anyone should take the side of the traitor, I will sever my connection with him, even though he be my best friend or nearest kinsman. It is in keeping with my nature to submit to what is right and to fight against what is wrong. I will must yield to reason, and everything must be subordinated to the common cause. Those who are on intimate terms with me will bear testimony to what I have announced as to my life principles. Even those who bear me malice will readily admit that I cannot be so cruel as to plot against the life of a man with whom I may be talking and laughing, or to order the execution of a guest in the midst of a banquet.

Our country is now in a most critical condition. I may have occasions to address to you again, but at this is the first time that I have had the opportunity to do so since I left China. I do not dare to say more than what is necessary to express my principles. Hereafter I will give my opinions on current events. If you think I am wrong, do not hesitate to criticize me; but if you think I am not sincere, you do not know me at all.

(Signed) SHEN CHUN-HSUN.
—Shanghai Mercury—

ALEXANDRA CAFE
YEATES, 3rd, 4th & 5th
—Shanghai Mercury—

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

THE THREATENED STRIKE.

Mr. L. D. Oliveira, the Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, writes to the "N. C. Daily News" as follows:—

Rumours of the impending dispute between the captains and officers of the China Navigation and Indo-China Companies and their employers having already reached the press, I am instructed by the Management Committee of the China Coast Officers' Guild to place before you the enclosed statement of the position for insertion or for your information, should you feel called upon to deal with the matter, in order to correct certain mis-statements which, though so far in favour of the captains and officers, are less desirable than the plain truth.

(Statement.)
The trouble centres round the refusal of the two companies, the China Navigation Co. and Indo-China Co. to recognise the Guild which represents in the case of the China Navigation Co. 64 per cent. of the captains and chief officers at present in the ships and, in the Indo-China Co. 81 per cent. not counting the members, numbering 31, who are serving in His Majesty's force and those on home leave. The companies have expressed themselves willing to meet deputations of their officers to listen to their grievances, but the officers assert that without some central organization to further the views of the various members together, the deputation could only express the views of those actually composing it and therefore, if a settlement satisfactory to all is to be arrived at, there must have a recognized Guild, through which all captains and one of which has an answer been received, their views.

With this end in view, over two dozen letters, couched in the most courteous terms, have been written to the two companies within the past two years to one of which has an answer been received, and, early in the month, the members directed that a final letter be written stating that they had certain matters connected with employment in the ships to discuss and inquiring definitely whether the companies would meet them on the matter.

This was treated with the same contempt as the rest and about a week later the members of the Guild sent in a definite demand for better conditions, accompanied by an ultimatum.

ULTIMATUM URGENT COMMUNIQUE.
In order to do nothing to the detriment of British trade, the Guild has approached H.M.'s Consul-General, and has offered, during the month of two the dispute may last, to detail officers to man any steamer which he considers necessary to distribute manufactures arriving from home or to collect foodstuffs or raw materials destined for Britain, on condition that the vessel so employed carries no local cargo or passengers.

The position, therefore, appears to be that, unless a settlement can be arrived at in the meantime, on the expiry of the ultimatum on May 1, the vessels of the China Navigation Co. and the Indo-China Co. will cease to run except those that may be called upon to maintain the distribution of British manufactures. It is understood that some fifteen captains and officers in the two companies are not members of the Guild, but whether these will consent to keep running or will throw in their lot with the others cannot be predicted.

It will be remembered that the dispute between the officers of the P. & O. Company and the firm took somewhat the same course, the firm declining to negotiate with its officers through their representative body, the Imperial Mercantile Service Guild. The captains and officers, however, stood firm and eventually the company agreed to meet representatives of the officers and the officials of the Guild through whom a satisfactory settlement was arrived at.

With regard to the actual subject of dispute, apart from the recognition of the Guild, it would be well to examine salaries paid here as compared with other trades in the Far East.

The pay of a captain in the three principal companies of the China coast commences at £300 and rises, after ten years, to £400. Chief officers commence at £180 and rise after five years to £225. Second officers commence at £120 and rise after four years to £170. Six months' leave on half-pay is granted after six years' continuous service, with free second class passage home and out. There is no pension or superannuation.

In the smaller companies sailing from Shanghai, with two exceptions, and in all sailing from Hongkong, the captain commences at £270. Chief Officer at £240 and second officer at £190. No leave on pay is granted.

In the Straits salaries are somewhat similar, captain commencing at £270, chief officer at £240, second officer at £190, and third officer at £150.

As compared with the pay of a captain in the three principal companies of the China coast, which commences at £300 and rises, after ten years, to £400, the pay of a captain in the Straits commences at £270 and rises, after ten years, to £370. The difference is £30 per year.

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officer at £24 and second officer at £17, with the exception that home leave on half-pay is granted after four years' service.

In the British India S. N. Co., by a circular issued in August, 1915, chief officer home leave on full pay, rising after seven years to £29, second officer commences on £18 and rises after three years to £23; third officer commences on £12 and rises after three years to £17; fourth officer receives £10-12.

When no junior officers are carried, their salaries, at the highest grade, are divided between the chief and second officers.

Six months' home leave on full pay is granted after three-and-a-half years' service on the Indian coast with a first class passage home and out. A bonus of 15 per cent. on all salaries is paid quarterly during the continuance of the war.

Retirement on pension is rigidly enforced at the age of 57. The amount of pension has not been ascertained, but it amounts to about £200 per annum at retiring age in the case of an officer who has joined at the age of 27.

The scale of pay, including allowances, in the Burmah Oil Company before the war was as follows: This has been considerably increased recently.

Captains commence at £33-8 rising to a maximum of £60; chief officers commence at £20 and rise after seven years to £28; second officers commence at £18-11 and rise after five years to £25-7; third officers commence at £15-13 and rise after two years to £21-8. When no junior officer is carried, his salary, at the highest grade, is divided between the first and second officers.

Six months' home leave on quarter-pay after three years' service, and after a further three years six months' leave on half-pay, is granted with a first class passage home and out. A pension is also given, details of which have not been obtained.

WHAT THE GUILD DEMANDS.
The demands put forward by the captains and officers on the China coast are exceedingly moderate as compared with these scales of pay and include an increase of 25 per cent. on all grades of captains' salaries, bringing the commencing salary up to £37-8. Fifteen per cent. increase on officers' salaries bringing the first year's salary of a chief officer up to £20-11 and second officers to £15. These demands were first put forward before the war.

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More has been asked for the captains than for officers in view of the fact that captains have had no increase during the past fourteen years while expenses have more than doubled and conditions of service have become far more strenuous.

Captains and senior officers have viewed with anxiety the rapid depletion, which commenced long before the war, of the personnel of the China coast by the departure of young officers who have become dissatisfied with conditions on here. The number of young officers who have thus left the coast within the past 15 months is placed at 70, 31 of whom are now at the front, and many more are preparing to leave as soon as their three years' agreements, on which they came out, expire, unless conditions improve.

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THE DIARY.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

10 a.m.—Auction of Coal Lighters, Steam Launch, Steep Cutter, Stores, etc., at H. M. Naval Yard, H.K., and Kowloon Depots.

Noon—Entire close for Dog and Cat Show on 13th inst.

Noon—Canton Insee. Co's. Meetings.

4.45 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the H.K. and New Territories Evangelisation Society in Union Church Hall.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, May 4:—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at "Graiginn East," No. 160, The Peak.

3 p.m.—Auction of Household Properties situated at Hung Hom, Kowloon, by Mr. Geo. P. Lammett at his Sales Rooms.

FRIDAY, May 5:—

Noon—China Traders Insee. Co's. Extraordinary Meeting.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, May 6:—

H. M. the King's Accession, 1919.

10 a.m.—Indo-China S. N. Co's. Meeting.

SUNDAY, May 7:—

9 a.m.—Excursion to Maau by S.S. "Taishan."

TUESDAY, May 9:—

H. M. the King's Proclamation Day.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Carpets, Pianos, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

WEDNESDAY, May 10:—

Dog and Cat Show at Grand Stand, Race Course, Happy Valley.

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THE SITUATION IN CHINA.

CROWDS of people who flocked down to Hongkong a few weeks ago from Canton and the surrounding country, owing to the political disturbances, are now returning—a sign in itself that the conditions on the mainland are regarded as more reassuring. Progress has been made with the reorganisation of the Government at Peking. The Southern Provinces have been informed of what has been done in the hope that the new arrangements for the government of the country will recommend themselves to the leaders of the revolt as affording a good basis for the restoration of peace. YUAN SHIH KAI's resignation of the Presidency has not yet been accepted, though a council in Peking has been called to decide the question. Meanwhile there is a formal truce between the government forces in Szechuan and the Yunnanese under the banner of TAI AO. The truce shortly expires and the General in Szechuan has asked the Government for further instructions. In the neighbouring province of Kwangtung the position seems to be one of extraordinary difficulty. There are two distinct "armies" in the province, supposed to be united in opposition to the YUAN SHIH KAI régime, but otherwise hostile to each other. There are the Chai Kwan—or General Lung's troops—and the rif-ruff of the Province calling itself the National Defence Army, which is directed by CHAN KWING MING, a former Tath of Canton. In this "Army" enlistment appears to be by gangs, and the qualification is that each gang shall acquire, by hook or by crook, a certain number of arms and ammunition. These are generally obtained by raids on villages. At present it seems that the "National Defence Army" control about one-fifth of the province of Kwangtung, and the basis of what is described as "the present state of peace" is that the National Defence Army is recognised as holding the towns in which they are in possession pending a settlement of the negotiations which are in progress between General Lung and the Tath of Kwangsi as to the future government of Kwangtung. Meanwhile there is much speculation as to whether the Northern troops which have recently been brought to Fouchow are likely to cross the border in the Chichow district, which is in the hands of the "National Defence Army." The northern troops are presumably the enemies of both the Chai Kwan and the "National Defence Army" troops. We greatly fear that whatever may be the case as regards the National Government, a settlement of the local troubles in Kwangtung is yet remote.

The China Merchants' steamer *Haiding* when she was sunk is said to have had on board a battery of six field guns, a large quantity of ammunition for big guns, rifles, and rifle ammunition, besides those which the troops had, as well as several boxes of dollars.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Manila Observatory reports a typhoon east of the Visayas Islands moving west.

We are asked to remind our readers that entries for the Dog and Cat Show to be held on 13th inst.—close to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. G. W. Gegg, care of Messrs. Hughes and Hough, at noon to-morrow.

The Treasurer of the Hongkong Church Missionary Association begs to acknowledge with thanks the sum of \$80.27 per the Rev. N. C. Pope, being amount collected in St. Andrew's (Kowloon) Sunday School during the first four months of the year.

The partnership between Messrs G. C. Moxon, J. W. Taylor and E. M. Raymond, sharebrokers, has been dissolved as far as Mr. Raymond is concerned. Messrs Moxon and Taylor will carry on the business under the same style of Moxon and Taylor, while Mr. E. M. Raymond is establishing himself as a stock and sharebroker on his own account. Formal announcements appear in our advertisement columns.

Another resident of the Colony has left to offer his services at the front—Mr. W. E. Osborn of the South British Insurance Office. He was recently attached to the Hongkong Volunteer Corps as a Lieutenant, having previously been a Lieutenant in the Wellington Division, New Zealand Garrison Artillery, and more recently a second Lieutenant in the Bombay Volunteers.

In the presence of a very large crowd a Japanese naval band played on the Cricket Ground last night. The Hon. Mr. Chaudhry, Colonial Secretary and Mr. Inai, the Japanese Consul, were among those present. The programme included several well-known English compositions and Scotch airs, the whole concluding with "Rule Britannia" and the national anthems of the two Island Empires.

Five fatal Chinese cases of plague were reported last week. Three of the cases were imported. The total number of cases since the beginning of the year has been eleven, which is remarkably small. One Chinese case of enteric fever which terminated fatally, and six cases of small pox, 16 of which proved fatal, were also reported during the same period. The small-pox cases included one British subject and one Portuguese.

It will be seen from our advertisement columns that a number of the shareholders in the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company consider that the report and accounts of the Company require early discussion, and in order that concerted action may be taken at the Company's meeting on May 6th they are inviting all shareholders of the Company, registered and unregistered, to attend a special meeting at the City Hall to-morrow (Wednesday) at 3 p.m.

The crew of a British war vessel were invited to a farewell concert at the Naval Theatre on Saturday night, and the programme provided enabled the company to spend a thoroughly enjoyable time. Mr. Ross was loudly applauded for his exhibition of club, cut-throat and knife swinging, and another popular feature was the exhibition boxing match between Paddy Finn and Stoker Downs. "The Embers of Waterloo" evoked much amusement. Others who contributed to the excellent programme were Messrs Ward, Brooks, Cox and Walton.

In connection with the threatened strike of officers on steamers engaged in the China Coast trade it is stated in a Shanghai paper that sixty skippers have contributed \$1,000 apiece to furnish the sinews of war for fighting the matter out. In addition to this \$60,000 from the skippers, there are substantial contributions from the officers under them. The feeling of the shipmasters is more intense than in the other ranks because they have been longest without an increase. Members of the Guild say that it has been 15 years since the captain have had any improvement in their salaries.

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CHINESE AFFAIRS.

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YUAN SHIH KAI AND THE PRESIDENCY.

PEKING, May 1.

Yuan Shih Kai called a meeting yesterday to decide the question of his abdication.

Li Yuen Hung, the Vice-President, has had an interview with the President.

EXTENSION OF ARMISTICE WANTED.

PEKING, May 1.

Dniu Ki Sui proposes an extension of the armistice between the Northern and Southern troops for one month.

He has communicated to the Southern troops the reasons for the recent reorganisation of the Cabinet.

WEST RIVER COLLISION.

RECEIVED HEARING OF \$100,000 CLAIM.

The hearing of the claim for \$100,000 by the Shih Ling Steamship Co. owners of the s.s. "Shia On" against the Standard Oil Co. owners of the oil lighter "Ruth," which collided near the Wong Mun Bar on January 15th was continued to-day before the Chief Justice Sir Wm. Rees Davies K.C. who had the assistance of Commander Beckwith R.N., as Nautical Assessor.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C. originally appeared on behalf of the plaintiffs, but owing to continued indisposition he was deputed by Mr. G. C. Alabaster. Mr. Rees of Mr. Gardiner's office, instructed Counsel on behalf of the plaintiffs. Defendants were represented by Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Davis of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist's office.

Plaintiffs alleged that the lighter "Ruth" which was partially submerged was not exhibiting proper lights. There was a collision claim for general damages on the grounds that the s.s. "Shia On" was negligently navigated.

Mr. Eldon Potter this morning opened the defence on behalf of the Standard Oil Co. and said on the morning of January 15th the launch "Comet" of the Standard Oil Co. left Lintin, a Customs house on the River, about twenty miles from the Swachway light, towing two lighters, the "Helen" and "Ruth," which were laden with oil. The weather was bad and the "Ruth" was leaking. In fact she was leaking so badly that when the launch "Comet" was abreast of the Swachway light she deviated from her usual course and headed for Crag Island in order that she might run the Ruth aground, in a place entirely outside the fairway. She put the Ruth aground in practically the place of the collision and having done that, proceeded to tow the Helen to Wongmun Bar. Having done that, she returned to the Ruth and proceeded to pull her further on to the bank. In view of the bad weather it was decided to remove the baggage and personal effects of the crew of the Ruth. The Ruth also decided to remove the lights of the Comet to the Ruth. The Ruth had on board two regulation side lights, ordinary green and red; three red globe lamps and two white globe lamps. It would be proved that these lights were trimmed. That was the "constellation" referred to by the plaintiffs. A fourth white light was to have been hoisted on the fore part of the boat but this was too low in the water and did not need it. "The Comet" stood by the "Ruth" until 2 a.m., on the 16th, and then left for Wong Mun.

Referring to the "mysterious disappearance" of the two men Mr. Potter said they did not leave the "Ruth" in an aeroplane as had been suggested but in a sampan belonging to the Ruth. It was probable the two men left before the "Shia On" crashed into the "Ruth" for he did not think that either of them were like Cassa Bianca and would have stayed on the deck until the "Shia On" had cut her through. That was the explanation of why those men were not seen swimming in the water.

Mr. Potter went on the deal with the question of the lights.

A fine of \$50 each or two months' hard labour was imposed upon seven boat people by Commander Beckwith, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning for making fast to the s.s. "Indo-nard" while the vessel was under way. Detective-Sergeant Pincoot said defendants had been repeatedly warned and their action constituted a danger to the wharf. Defendants said they never made fast until the ship had stopped.

Cold water is the best of drinks. The Temperance Post says: "But you say I, that I should have the very best of things?"

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HONGKONG UNIVERSITY UNION.

OPENING OF THE NEW PAVILION.

To-morrow May 3rd H.E. The Governor, President of the University Union, will open the new Pavilion on the University Athletic Ground which is on the Pokfulam Road. The members of the Council of the University Union will be at Home to all members of the University Union and their friends. After opening the Pavilion His Excellency will present the prizes won at the first annual athletic sports, which took place on Saturday last. The winner of the Vice-Chancellor's challenge cup awarded for the highest number of points, was Mr. F. W. and the winner of the inter-house H.K. Kwong challenge cup was the Morrison Hall. After the prizes have been presented there will be exhibition tennis matches between some of the University students (including Ng Ze Kwong and Wei Wing Lok) and some well known local players, including Green, Nisbet and Cooper Hunt. The band of the Punjabis will be present.

THE CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL AT CANTON.

The British Chamber of Commerce in Canton has announced its decision to open a school for the teaching of the Cantonese Colloquial and the first elements of the written Chinese character to British subjects and, subject to the approval of the Chamber, to the other employees of British firms.

The provisional course is for one year, and it is proposed to issue a certificate of proficiency to those who are sufficiently advanced at the close of the course. As however this scheme must necessarily be a tentative one at first, the Committee of the Chamber may decide to lengthen the term and/or coordinate their course of instruction with that in the School shortly to be established in Hongkong, so that a similar certificate may be issued both in Hongkong and Canton.

The classes will be open to any British ladies, who may wish to join, on the same terms as for the other students. Classes will be held in the Chamber's Room in the Victoria Hotel, Shamone, on five days in the week from 4 to 5 p.m. In addition every student will be required to work with a private teacher appointed by the School for at least one hour daily.

The Rev. P. Jenkins has undertaken the general direction of the School and will hold classes in the written character, while the Rev. G. H. McNeill will superintend the teaching of the Colloquial.

Until it is known how many students will join, it is not possible to state definitely what fees will be charged, but they will not exceed Hongkong \$15.00 per student per month. In addition there will be a small initial disbursement on books and a regular payment of Hongkong \$10.00 per month for a private teacher.

The School will be opened on Tuesday, 16th May, 1916, at 4 p.m. in the Chamber's room in the Victoria Hotel, by Mr. J. W. Jamieson, C.M.G., H.B.M. Consul-General.

OUR ANCIENT ALLY.

THE BONDS WITH PORTUGAL.

"ARTILLERS, SLINGERS, AND GALLEYS."

On the 16th day of June, 1873, King Edward III. of England and King Ferdinand I. of Portugal attended St. Paul's Cathedral in state and before a great assembly of London's citizens entered into a covenant which is still in force and must now be referred to if we want to understand what war between Germany and Portugal involves.

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It is sincerely hoped that many who are not already working, will come forward and help in either of the branches, as much as they can, in order to provide comforts for our soldiers who are fighting so nobly for us and our homes.

Since writing the above I have received from Mr. M. Newman the sum of \$67.51, being 25% of the proceeds of a performance at the Victoria Theatre towards our bandage fund—for which I am most grateful.

HU-SO-JAPANESE RELATIONS.

COUNT OKUMA PROMISES OFFICIAL STATEMENT SHORTLY.

The Japanese Foreign Office has issued a categorical denial of the statement regarding the conclusion of a new Russo-Japanese Convention.

Count Okuma has given an interview to the *Asahi* in which he points out the great development of Russo-Japanese friendship which has taken place since the war, and states that the "establishment of a new relationship with Russia will soon be made known to the public."

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WAR WORK.

BANDAGE-MAKING IN HONGKONG.

Mrs. Phelps sends us the following:—

By the last P. & O. Mail in March, the bandage making department sent to Egypt for distribution amongst the hospitals 5,703 bandages, including knitted eye-bandages, many tails (cotton and cotton), knitted white wool heelless stockings for surgical cases, skull caps for covering head bandages, flannel body belts made from old shrunken flannel trousers for dysentery and enteric cases, etc., and 330 mosquito nets for men on active service. This month (April), 5,373 bandages have been sent to the same destination (431 less than last month). Before leaving Hongkong, Surgeon General Hoskyn, R.N., visited the bandage making class and was much interested in what he saw.

The following is an extract from a letter he wrote to me after his visit:—

"As you were good enough to allow me to inspect the work done in your department by the Hongkong women, it is only fair to let you know that I was greatly impressed by the amount turned out, and the excellence of the articles, which are quite up to the standard of those received from London firms."

It was particularly struck with the knitted eye-bandages, surgical stockings, and skull caps, which proved invaluable, and also the rolled bandages which are beautifully done, being so even and hard. Such a regular supply of stores to the hospitals near the seat of operations must be most welcome, etc. etc.

The Bandage Department is now divided into three branches for the summer months to make it easier for the workers who will therefore not have such long distances to cover. "Workers are urgently asked to come, and help so that there shall be no decrease in the supply for our sick and wounded."

Mrs. Har and Mrs. Taylor have kindly consented to undertake the management of the Peak branch which will be held at the Peak Club every Monday and Thursday morning from 10 to 12.30. All Peak residents are invited whether members or non-members of the Peak Club. In Kowloon, Mrs. Beckwith and Mrs. Smalley are in charge of that branch which is being held at the U. S. R. Club, and the same invitation is sent out to all residents in Kowloon whether members or non-members of the Club, to come and help. St. Patrick's Hall, close to the lower tram station, has been very kindly lent to the branch for the lower levels by the Committee of the Catholic Women's League, and Mrs. Jordan has kindly undertaken the management of this branch assisted by Mrs. Nisbet. All the branches are meeting Monday and Thursday morning from 10 to 12.30 and I shall be only too grateful if more workers will come forward to help either in rolling bandages, or sewing many tails or knitting heelless stockings of caps at home. I am most grateful to all the people who have helped me in starting and maintaining this work with money, sewing, knitting, etc. The Catholic Women's League's generous gift of \$280, half proceeds from two concerts, has enabled me to purchase more rolling machines, cotton wool and gauze for swabs, butter muslin for shirts to be worn by men in the trenches for preventing the vermin from their bodies getting into their clothes, white oil cloth for the work tables for the different branches and many other necessities—which lack of funds had prevented the supply previously. I would also take this opportunity to thank Mr. Greenfield in so kindly collecting during the month the sum of \$40.50 which has helped to pay for white wool for the knitted surgical stockings and skull caps, which are so urgently required. The girls of the telephone exchange have rolled several hundred bandages in their spare-time, and the ladies in Yuehoh have helped considerably by knitting the white surgical stockings and caps for which I am also most grateful. I am grateful also to the gentlemen who have kindly sent me their old and shrunken flannel trousers to be converted into flannel body belts, over 120 of which have been sent to the hospitals at the front. My grateful thanks are also due to the Reverend Mother Superior of the Italian Convent who has had an enormous amount of sewing done for my department, viz. flannel belts, butter muslin shirts and many tail bandages.

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WHISKY PELLETS.

"NATION NEEDS FIT HEART."

A note of warning was sounded by Mr. Lloyd George at the Ministry of Munitions last month, when he replied to a deputation representing the Temperance Council of the Christian Churches.

Introduced by Sir George Toulmin, M.P., the deputation asked for the stricter enforcement of existing laws and regulations.

Mr. Lloyd George pointed out that he had to deal with the drink question not as a temperance reformer, but merely from the point of view of the successful prosecution of the war.

He realised at the start that it was a struggle which would call upon all our resources before we could ever succeed in obtaining a triumphant conclusion to our efforts; that the nation would need a fit heart and a firm muscle, and that it could secure neither so long as from 2,150,000,000 to 2,180,000,000 a year was being spent on drink.

He put forward certain suggestions of a rather drastic character—a little too drastic for the House of Commons—but a good many of these proposals had survived, and there were much larger powers involved in the truncated process of legislation than perhaps was fully realised.

"Within the past few weeks," said the Minister of Munitions, smiling at the temperance advocates around him, "I felt it my duty to become the greatest distiller this country has ever seen—the greatest distiller in the world."

"I have taken over the whole of the patent still distilleries in this country, and I am doing my best to provide whisky for the German."

"If the whisky pellets do half as much harm to the Germans as whisky has done in this country, I am every other patriot who is truly thankful."

HOW JAPAN IS CAPTURING THE ENEMY'S TRADE.

TOYS AND OUTFITTING.

Several industries which were formerly very largely in the hands of the enemy are now gradually being undertaken by other countries. Two of the most striking examples in this connection, says *The Globe*, are the toy and the hosiery and gentlemen's underwear industries. These two industries, which before the outbreak of hostilities represented an immense revenue to German manufacturers every year, are now being successfully undertaken by Britain's ally, Japan, owing to the inability of English firms to keep pace with the demand.

"With regard to toys," said one of the managers at Gammage's in an interview with a *Globe* representative, "Japan has practically taken over everything that was originally supplied by Germany. Mechanical toys, dolls, dolls' furniture, china teacups, and other similar articles are now being made in large quantities, and at prices which compare most favourably with those which came from the enemy prior to the outbreak of war."

"These toys, particularly the china sets, are now of excellent design and finish, while the colouring is in many respects superior to what we formerly got from Germany. In some of the toys there are no fewer than seven or eight distinct shades, all artistically blended, which add to their beauty."

MARVEL COPIING.

"The English importer placed before the Japanese manufacturers the designs they required in certain lines of cheap toys, and these the Japanese workers copied so well that it was not for the trade mark it would not be possible to tell them from the originals. Our difficulty now is to obtain the supplies we require."

"There is a great future for the Japanese in the toy industry. Most of their efforts are directed to supplying the urgent demands for cheap lines, but they are also making a study of the more expensive mechanical toys, which they should be able to produce as soon as the present rush for the cheaper goods is over."

As an example of faithful imitation our representative was shown several cheap mechanical toys, including a wriggling serpent, a motor cyclist (the driver of which had a distinct Japanese face), and a jumping grasshopper. These toys formerly came into this country in large quantities from Germany, but the Japanese products are in every way equal to the former in design and mechanism, and are superior in colouring. These toys can be obtained at prices varying from one to two shillings.

MARVEL OF CHEAPNESS.

Another marvel of cheapness is an infant suite of dolls' furniture, deftly made up in a small box, and comprising chairs, dressing table with swing mirror, chest of drawers, washbasin, and table, for 1s. 4d.

With regard to hosiery and gentlemen's underwear, one of the managers of Selfridge's said:—

"The mills of Saxony are idle, while those in Japan are working at full speed making these goods. Our trade in these articles has increased at least sixfold since the war began, and our only difficulty is to keep pace with the demand."

"The Japanese are not specially noted for inventive genius, but they have copied almost anything. If you give them a cheap garment or fabric, they will produce another exactly like it. We are now practically dependent upon our ally for cotton vests and other underwear, and these they supply at prices far below those formerly charged by Germany."

"So great is the demand for these cheap goods that big English houses are now appointing their own agents in Japan to buy direct. For this class of goods there is a great future for Japan, and there can be no doubt that this trade has left Germany for ever."

"WHISKY PELLETS."

"NATION NEEDS FIT HEART."

A note of warning was sounded by Mr. Lloyd George at the Ministry of Munitions last month, when he replied to a deputation representing the Temperance Council of the Christian Churches.

Introduced by Sir George Toulmin, M.P., the deputation asked for the stricter enforcement of existing laws and regulations.

Mr. Lloyd George pointed out that he had to deal with the drink question not as a temperance reformer, but merely from the point of view of the successful prosecution of the war.

He realised at the start that it was a struggle which would call upon all our resources before we could ever succeed in obtaining a triumphant conclusion to our efforts; that the nation would need a fit heart and a firm muscle, and that it could secure neither so long as from 2,150,000,000 to 2,180,000,000 a year was being spent on drink.

He put forward certain suggestions of a rather drastic character—a little too drastic for the House of Commons—but a good many of these proposals had survived, and there were much larger powers involved in the truncated process of legislation than perhaps was fully realised.

"Within the past few weeks," said the Minister of Munitions, smiling at the temperance advocates around him, "I felt it my duty to become the greatest distiller this country has ever seen—the greatest distiller in the world."

"I have taken over the whole of the patent still distilleries in this country, and I am doing my best to provide whisky for the German."

"If the whisky pellets do half as much harm to the Germans as whisky has done in this country, I am every other patriot who is truly thankful."

SHIPPING

P. & O. S. N. Co.

ROYAL MAIL SERVICE.

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned Ports on or about the DATES named:-

| For | STEAMERS | To Sail On | REMARKS |
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| LONDON via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, Port Said & MARSEILLES | NAMUR Capt. A. Collyer. | Noon 6th May. | Direct Service. |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI, KORE, and YOKOHAMA | NOVARA Capt. H. E. Hetherington, R.N.R. | About 6th May. | Direct Service. |
| LONDON & BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, Port Said & MARSEILLES | NANKIN Capt. G. Manly. | Noon 10th May. | Connecting at Cebu with Mail via Zamboanga. |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI, KORE, and YOKOHAMA | MALTA Capt. C. C. Talbot, R.N.R. | About 2nd May. | Direct Service. |

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(Subject to Alteration)

AMERICAN LINE. FOR VICTORIA, SEATTLE AND TACOMA via SHANGHAI, MANILA, KEELUNG, NAGASAKI, MOJI, KORE, YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA.

"CHICAGO MARU".....Monday, 8th May, at 3 p.m.
(Omitting Shanghai and Nagasaki). (Omitting Manila and Moji).

BOMBAY LINE. FOR BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG AND COLOMBO.

"INDO MARU".....Capt. V. Somakawa.....Wednesday, 3rd May, at 7 a.m.

FORMOSAN LINE. FOR TAMSUI, KEELUNG AND ANPING, TAKAO, via SWATOW, AMOY.

"AMAKUSA MARU".....7th May, at Noon.
"SOSHI MARU".....Wednesday, 10th May, at 6 a.m.

Proceeding to Tamsui and Keelung.
Proceeding to Anping and Takao.

These Formosan Lines will arrive at and depart from the SOON YIP WHARF near the Harbour Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, APPLY TO:-
H. YAMAUCHI, Manager.

No. 1, Queen's Building.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE

TO AUSTRALIA.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION WITHOUT NOTICE.

STEAMERS

ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA

LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA

ST. ALBANS.....8th May.
EMPIRE.....10th May.
EASTERN.....Sunday, 1st July, at 11 a.m.

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried. All Steamers fitted with Wireless Telegraphy.

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Regular Service of Steamers between Japan, Hongkong, Singapore

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SHIPPING

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL |
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| HONGKONG, HANKOW & HAIPHONG | KAIPOH | May 2, at 10 a.m. |
| SWATOW & BANGKOK | CHACHOWFU | May 2, at Noon. |
| CANTON | LUCHOW | May 4, Daylight. |
| SHANGHAI | SEILANG | May 4, at 4 p.m. |
| MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO | CHINWA | May 4, at 4 p.m. |

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER—Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUI"

MANILA LINE. Twin Screw Steamers "Chihna," "Taming," & "Tsun," with excellent accommodation amidships. Electric Fans fitted. Extra state-rooms on deck, aft on "Taming" and "Tsun."

SHANGHAI LINE—PASSENGERS, MAILS & CARGO.

S.S. "Anhui," "Chenan," "Tachow," "Yingchow," "Shantung" and "Sinking," with excellent accommodation. Electric Light and Fans in Saloon and State-rooms. Maintain a regular schedule service between Canton, Hongkong and Shanghai, leaving Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports. Passengers are landed in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transshipment at Woosung.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Telephone No. 34.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

(Subject to Alteration)

| For | STEAMERS | To Sail |
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| SHANGHAI | WOSANG | THURSDAY, May 4, Daylight. |
| SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA | ONSANG | THURSDAY, May 4, at 3 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI | WONGSANG | FRIDAY, May 5, Daylight. |
| TIENTSIN via WEIHAIWEI | CHIFSHING | FRIDAY, May 5, at Noon. |
| SANDAKAN | HINSANG | FRIDAY, May 5, at Noon. |
| HONGKONG & HAIPHONG | LOESANG | SATURDAY, May 6, at 8 a.m. |
| MANILA | LOONGSANG | SATURDAY, May 6, at 3 p.m. |
| SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA | IATSHING | TUESDAY, May 9, at 3 p.m. |
| MOJI & KORE | KUMSANG | WEDNESDAY, May 10, Daylight. |
| YUENSANG | YUENSANG | SATURDAY, May 13, at 3 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI, KORE & MOJI | FOOSANG | TUESDAY, May 16, Daylight. |

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN.

THE steamers Kuching, Nansang, Loisang & Fookang leave about every 3 weeks generally call at Shanghai en route for Japan returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. Time occupied 23 days. This service is supplemented by the Yaching, Kwangang leaving Hongkong at regular intervals for Yokohama (when sufficient cargo is offered) Kobe & Moji and returning thence direct to Hongkong. Time occupied 19 days.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chanco, Tientsin, Oshu, Weihaiwei.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Koda, Lahad Dato, Singapore, Taiwan, Canton, Swatow and Luchow.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers.

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BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

NEW SERVICE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN

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Steamers are dispatched EASTWARD and WESTWARD at regular intervals taking Passengers and Cargo at Current Rates.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

HOMEWARD.

| For | STEAMER | DATE OF DEPARTURE |
|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| GENOA & LONDON | MERIONETHSHIRE | 12th May. |

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE

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REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN

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EASTWARD.

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REGULAR SERVICE of Fast, High Class Coast Steamers having good Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light and Fans in State-rooms and Saloons. Excellent Cuisine.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

| STEAMSHIP | CAPTAIN | LEAVING |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| MAIHONG | Capt. J. W. Evans | FRIDAY, 5th May at 2 p.m. |

SWATOW.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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STRAITS, COLOMBO, AUSTRALIA, BOMBAY, EGYP, MEDITER, RANEA PORTS, AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIANGULF, CONTINER, TAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship JAMPA, Captain A. COLLYER, carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port on or about FRIDAY, the 5th May, 1916, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports. The S.S. "Annam" will proceed through to Port Said, Marseilles and London.

Silk and Valuables for Bombay (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer of the P. & O. Co. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to E. V. D. FARR, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 24, 1916.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE FIVE NEW AMERICAN

S.S. "FLORIAN"

Will be despatched about 30th May, taking cargo for SAN FRANCISCO and for Overland Points in the United States. For freight and further particulars apply to DODWELL & CO. LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, March 24, 1916.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

JAVA-PACIFIC LYN.

THE STEAMSHIP "TIVISONDAIR" having arrived from SAN FRANCISCO.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th May, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 3rd May or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 6th May, by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LYN.

Managing Agents, JAVA-PACIFIC LYN. York Building.

Hongkong, April 23, 1916.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND SH

